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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: BUI )  
Serial Number: 10/645,059 )  
Filed: August 21, 2003 )  
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD TO MONITOR THE RELATIVE )  
POSITION OF A TAPE MEDIUM IN A TAPE DRIVE )  
Group: 2651 )  
Examiner: SNIEZEK, ANDREW DOCKET: TUC920030097US1 )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT A**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment A is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2004. Applicants have canceled three original independent claims, and added six (6) new independent claims. A Form-2038 is being filed herewith authorizing credit card payment in the amount of \$600.00 for the three additional independent claims.

**Corrected drawings** are described on page 2 of this paper, and are attached hereto as Attachment "A".

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.

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